



Chattanooga City Council
Chattanooga, Tennessee
John P. Franklin, Sr. City Council Building

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 20, 2024

3:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Raquetta Dotley called the business meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. A quorum was present that also included Council Vice Chair Jenny Hill and Councilpersons Chip Henderson, Ken Smith, Darrin Ledford, Isiah Hester, Carol Berz, Marvene Noel, and Demetrus Coonrod.

[Editor's Note: This meeting was live streamed on YouTube in two parts. Part 1 of this meeting (prior to the recess) is available [here](#). Part 2 of this meeting (after the recess) is available [here](#).]

OTHER PARTICIPANTS

Office of City Attorney: Phil Noblett, City Attorney

Mayor Kelly's Office: Jermaine Freeman, Chief of Staff; Ryan Ewalt, Chief Operating Officer; Julia Bursch, Deputy Chief Operating Officer; and Chris Anderson, Senior Advisor for Legislative Initiatives

Transportation: Ben Taylor, Deputy Administrator

Economic Development: Richard Beeland, Administrator

Parks & Outdoors: Scott Martin, Administrator

Engineering: Bill Payne, City Engineer

Finance: Vickie Haley, Deputy Administrator

Hamilton County Mayor's Office: Cory Gearrin, Deputy Mayor for Economic & Community Development

Bass Berry + Sims PLC: Mark Mamantov, Attorney

Council Office: Melissa Bardoner, Council Support Specialist, and Nicole Gwyn, Clerk to Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Ledford led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Proclamations Recognizing the Retirement of Ben Taylor **By Councilman Isiah Hester & Ryan Ewalt, COO**

Councilman Hester and Mr. Ewalt recognized the retirement of Ben Taylor with proclamations [see attached] honoring his years of service.

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (February 13, 2024) were approved as published.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING

Agenda Item VII(c) – Case No. 2024-0016

Councilwoman Berz stated she would like the conditions for this item re-read into the record. She stated she would also like the amenities previously agreed to for this item read into the record but requested clarification from Mr. Noblett. The discussion may be viewed [here](#). Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

Agenda Item VIII(a) – Case No. 2023-0179

Councilwoman Noel informed Council she would be seeking to defer this item for two months. Councilman Ledford responded. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

RESOLUTIONS

Agenda Item IX(a) – Council Office (Relative to additional debt obligations for stadium)

Chair Dotley asked Mr. Freeman to provide information on this item. Mr. Freeman briefed Council on the Administration's requests regarding the stadium project [view [here](#)] before turning it over to Attorney Mamantov for the stadium financing update. The presentation may be viewed [here](#) and touched on the following:

- Sources for financing the stadium costs
- Sources of payment for the debt service on the Sports Authority bonds
- Significant changes made since the last stadium update presentation given to Council [on January 30, 2024]

Afterwards, the floor was opened to questions and comments from Council. Discussion ensued, which may be viewed [here](#), and touched on the following:

- Clarification / confirmation of what Council actions were being requested for tonight and next Tuesday, February 27, 2024
- Reasoning behind issuing notes instead of bonds
- Confirmation of the amount of additional debt going through the Sports Authority vs. the amount going through the IDB
- Questions about the debt ceiling for the Sports Authority
- Clarification regarding the City's portion of the funding
- Clarification regarding Hamilton County's commitment to Public Education: what exactly that commitment entails, which schools will benefit from it, and what it will be used for
- Clarification on the order the monies will be repaid
- Assurances that the amount of money being requested is enough to build something Chattanooga will be proud of, as well as enough to ensure its continued quality.

Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

[Councilwoman Noel exited the meeting during this discussion.]

FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

Item 1(a) – Economic Development

Councilman Hester requested additional information regarding this item. Mr. Beeland and Mr. Martin responded. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

PARKS & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Council Chair Dotley yielded control of the meeting to Councilman Hester for the Parks & Public Works Committee.

Councilman Hester, Committee Chair, called the Parks & Public Works Committee to order at 4:22 p.m. with a quorum of eight present that also included Council Chair Dotley, Vice Chair Hill, and Councilpersons Henderson, Smith, Ledford, Berz, and Coonrod. [View committee [here](#).]

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Council Chair Dotley, the minutes of the last meeting (February 6, 2024) were approved as published.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

Agenda Items VIII(c – e) – Transportation

Council Chair Dotley advised these three items needed to be deferred. Vice Chair Hill requested additional information regarding the items which Mr. Taylor addressed [here](#). Upon no objections from Council, these items will be deferred to March 5, 2024, to coincide with a presentation from the Public Works Department.

Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

[Councilwoman Noel rejoined the meeting at this time.]

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Councilman Hester yielded control of the meeting to Councilman Smith for the Legislative Committee.

Councilman Smith, Committee Chair, called the Legislative Committee to order at 4:27 p.m. with a quorum of all nine Councilmembers present. [View committee [here](#).]

On motion of Councilman Ledford and seconded by Council Chair Dotley, the minutes of the last meeting (November 28, 2023) were approved as published.

Councilman Smith turned it over to Mr. Anderson, who briefed Council on the updates and amendments being requested for the city's existing beer ordinance. Afterwards, discussion ensued. The presentation and following discussion may be viewed [here](#). Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Councilman Smith yielded control of the meeting to Councilwoman Berz for the Budget & Finance Committee.

Councilwoman Berz, Committee Chair, called the Budget & Finance Committee to order at 4:41 p.m. with a quorum of all nine Councilmembers present. [View committee [here](#).]

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilwoman Noel, the minutes of the last meeting (July 25, 2023) were approved as published.

Councilwoman Berz distributed a brief overview of the budget process flow to Council [\[here\]](#) and requested another Budget & Finance Committee meeting be held before April 30, 2024. Upon no further comments or questions, the issue was closed.

Councilwoman Berz then invited Ms. Haley to the podium to present the City Court Clerk update to Council. The presentation may be viewed [here](#) and touched on the following:

- Overview of the office & breakdown of what they do
- Breakdown of the office's staff positions
- Broad overview of the office's budget

Afterwards, discussion ensued [view [here](#)], and Council requested the following:

- An audit of the City Court Clerk's Office, to include:
 - Case load vs. amount of staff – how many people are served each day & in what capacity
 - Number of constituents impacted / assisted by City Court Clerk's Office with Driver's License reinstatement
 - Breakdown of amount of monies owed in fines & list of top accounts that need to be paid
 - Process & criteria for abating cases / fines
 - What constitutes a violation and how are the violations entered & tracked through the system [Incode] from start to finish
 - Number of tickets that went to Sessions Court rather than City Court
- Itemized budgets & breakdown of expenses for both the City Judge's Office and the City Court Clerk's Office

[Councilman Ledford exited the meeting during this discussion.]

Upon no further comments or questions from Council, the issue was closed.

RECESS

Councilwoman Berz adjourned the Budget & Finance Committee at 5:16 p.m. and recessed the business meeting until 5:45 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Chair Dotley reconvened the meeting at 5:45 p.m. A quorum as present that also included Vice Chair Hill and Councilpersons Henderson, Smith, Ledford, Hester, Berz, Noel, and Coonrod. Attorney Noblett and Ms. Gwyn were also present.

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING:

VERSION #2

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

ORDINANCE #14083

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, CHAPTER 3, RELATIVE TO THE BOARD OF SIGN APPEALS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to read the following three ordinances for one Council vote.

2024-0011

Neuhoff Taylor Architects c/o James Gabbard

Planning Version #2

District No. 6

ORDINANCE #14084

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 6701 AND 6730 INDUS WAY, FROM R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE.

2024-0013

Brian Lutter

Planning Commission Version

District No. 7

ORDINANCE #14086

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1920 MYRTLE STREET, FROM R-T/Z RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE/ZERO LOT LINE ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE.

PLANNING VERSION #2

ORDINANCE #14087

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE II, DEFINITIONS, ARTICLE VI, HEIGHT AND AREA REGULATIONS, SECTION 38-504, PROJECTIONS OVER YARDS; ARTICLE XVII, ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS; AND ARTICLE XVI, DOWNTOWN FORM BASED CODE.

Councilwoman Berz moved to approve the three resolutions. Vice Chair Hill seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ORDINANCES 14084, 14086, & 14087 APPROVED

2024-0016
Tarek Shaer c/o Vivo Investments, LLC
Planning Version #2
District No. 6

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Councilman Ledford,

ORDINANCE #14085

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6240 AIRPARK DRIVE, FROM C-2 CONVENIENCE COMMERCIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE.

Councilwoman Berz asked Attorney Noblett to read the conditions added to the ordinance during the first reading. She then read the amenities that the developer stated would be done in addition to the conditions: *lobby lounge, laundry facilities, fitness center, hi-speed Wi-Fi, and bike racks*. She sought the Council's and Attorney's opinion on the best way to include the amenities to the ordinance. Councilman Ledford advised that if substantial changes are made to the ordinance, that would send the ordinance back to first reading. Councilwoman Berz acknowledged and asked that the amenities stated by the developer last week would be added to the record of this meeting, not as conditions to the ordinance. Upon no further discussion, **Councilwoman Berz moved** to approve. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

On motion of Councilman Hester and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

ORDINANCE #14088

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 24, ARTICLE XIV, SECTIONS 24-501 AND 24-502 RELATING TO SPEED ON THROUGH STREETS.

The motion carried.

ACTION: APPROVED

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

2023-0179
Philip Rossillo
Planning Commission Version
District 8

Agenda Item VIII(a):

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 608, 614, AND FOUR (4) UNADDRESSED PROPERTIES IN THE 600 BLOCK OF CENTRAL AVENUE, FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO UGC URBAN GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Councilwoman Noel moved to defer to May 7, 2024. Councilwoman Berz seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: DEFERRED TO MAY 7, 2024

2024-0015
Tess Wentland
Planning Commission Version
District No. 9

ORDINANCE #14089

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 38, ZONING ORDINANCE, SO AS TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1400 NORTH CHAMBERLAIN AVENUE, FROM R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE.

Councilwoman Coonrod read the following conditions that she wanted to add as an amendment to this ordinance:

- 1. Provision of onsite management and onsite security. Onsite management and onsite security contact information must be prominently displayed throughout development.*
- 2. Background checks and long-term leases required for all residents.*
- 3. Units must have a range of rental prices reflecting a mixture of rental units but a minimum of 15% of all units must be 2-bedroom units.*
- 4. 200' from the rear property line shall remain as greenspace that is left undisturbed with no building/structures, including residential dwellings.*
- 5. No clearing or grading permitted with 200' undisturbed area, except for pedestrian trails, and removal of dead or diseased trees or invasive growth.*

Councilwoman Coonrod moved to approve with the intent to amend. Councilman Ledford seconded. **Councilwoman Coonrod moved** to amend by adding the five conditions read in this meeting. Councilman Henderson seconded. The motion carried. **Councilwoman Coonrod moved** to approve as amended. Councilwoman Noel seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: PASSED AS AMENDED ON FIRST READING

[Councilman Henderson stepped out of the meeting temporarily.]

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to group and read the following three Transportation ordinances for one Council vote.

Agenda Item VIII(c):

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE III, SECTIONS 32-61 THROUGH 32-85, RELATING TO EXCAVATIONS AND RESTORATION OF PAVING.

Agenda Item VIII(d):

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE XII, STREET CONSTRUCTION.

Agenda Item VIII(e):

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 32-13, 32-14 AND 32-15 RELATING TO LICENSE TO MAKE EXCAVATIONS.

Vice Chair Hill moved to defer to March 5, 2024. Councilwoman Berz seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: VII(c)(d)(e) DEFERRED TO MARCH 5, 2024

[Councilman Henderson rejoined the meeting.]

RESOLUTIONS:

Agenda Item IX(a):

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE SPORTS AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF HAMILTON AND THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE TO FINANCE A MULTI-USE STADIUM.

Councilman Ledford moved to withdraw. Councilman Smith seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: WITHDRAWN

On motion of Vice Chair Hill and seconded by Councilwoman Coonrod,

RESOLUTION #31977

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE APPROVED SERVICES FOR THE EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM FROM FORTY-EIGHT (48) TO FIFTY-SIX (56) INFANT AND TODDLER CHILDREN WHICH ALLOWS FOR COLLABORATION WITH CHILDCARE NETWORK 124 ON GRAYS ROAD TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE ADDITIONAL EIGHT (8) INFANT AND TODDLER CHILDREN, INCREASING THE ORIGINAL APPROVED AMOUNT FROM \$419,908.80 TO \$489,393.60.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

PROCEDURAL NOTE: Chair Dotley instructed the Clerk to group and read the following two resolutions for one Council vote.

RESOLUTION #31978

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A SUBLICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE STADIUM CORPORATION, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, FOR A TERM OF TEN (10) YEARS, AT NO COST TO USE AND MAINTAIN A PORTION OF THE PREMISES ADJACENT TO S.R. 58, FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP NUMBER 145K-B-001 AT 1931 REGGIE WHITE BOULEVARD, FOR FINLEY STADIUM VOLUNTEER AND EVENT STAFF PARKING WITH THE SUBLICENSE AGREEMENT TO BE SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND OBLIGATIONS AS SET FORTH IN THE LICENSE AGREEMENT THE CITY HAS WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE FOR THE USE OF THE PARCEL.

RESOLUTION #31979

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A THIRD AMENDMENT TO DONATION AGREEMENT WITH THE A.I.M. CENTER, INC., IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, TO EXTEND THE CLOSING DATE TO JUNE 30, 2024.

Vice Chair Hill moved to approve both resolutions. Councilwoman Coonrod seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: RESOLUTIONS 31978 & 31979 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Berz and seconded by Vice Chair Hill,

RESOLUTION #31980

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & OUTDOORS TO APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) GRANT FOR THE ALTON PARK AND CRABTREE CONNECTORS, DEPENDING UPON INCLUSION IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET AND APPROVAL BY CITY COUNCIL, FOR AN AMOUNT UP TO \$19,695,708.00, WITH A LOCAL NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY (20%) PERCENT MATCH OF \$3,939,141.60.

The motion carried. Councilwoman Coonrod introduced the youth from this program and asked them to stand for applause.

ACTION: ADOPTED

On motion of Councilwoman Coonrod and seconded by Councilwoman Noel,

RESOLUTION #31981

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA AND HAMILTON COUNTY TO JOINTLY APPLY FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG) FOR PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, AND IF AWARDED, THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA WILL ENTER INTO A SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH GREEN|SPACES, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING THE BUILT IT GREEN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND RESIDENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND BUILDING REHABILITATION PROGRAM, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$315,140.00.

The motion carried.

ACTION: ADOPTED

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Recommended New Purchases

Julia Bursch, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, recommended the following new purchases for Council consideration:

PUR129442 Finance	Increase of \$75,000 for a new estimated amount of \$195,000
Temp Payroll Clerk	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Robert Half	
537 Market Street Suite 200	
Chattanooga, TN 37402	
200615-2 Fleet Management Division, Public Works	\$190,000.00
Wrecker/Towing & Recovery Services	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Mosteller's Wrecker Inc	
2105 East 24th St Place	
Chattanooga, TN 37407	
200611 Early Learning Dept / Head Start	\$170,000.00
Milk & Dairy Products	
Lowest/Best Bidder: New Dairy Kentucky, LLC d/b/a Borden Dairy	
221 West Highway 80	
London, KY 40741	
RFP200527 Human Resources	\$1,300,000.00
Dental Services	
Lowest/Best Bidder: Cigna Health and Life Insurance Co	
401 Chestnut Street Suite 110	
Chattanooga, TN 37402	

200612-2 Wastewater

\$60,000.00

CCTV Repair Services & Parts

Lowest/Best Bidder: Cues, Inc.
3600 Rio Vista Avenue
Orlando, FL 32805

Regarding PUR129442 (Finance), Councilwoman Coonrod recommended hiring someone internally or externally as payroll clerk instead of a temporary employee. Upon no further comments or questions, **Councilwoman Berz moved** to approve. Councilman Hester seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION: ALL PURCHASES APPROVED

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Affordable Housing Committee
Vice Chair Hill (No report)

Budget and Finance Committee
Councilwoman Berz reported:

- The committee met today (re: Update on City Court Clerk’s Office), where the Council posed questions and requested an audit of the department. After checking with Chair Dotley about future scheduling, Councilwoman Berz announced a Budget and Finance Committee meeting on the third Tuesday in March [March 19] to review the budgets of the Judges and Court Clerk’s offices.
- Mr. Ewalt agreed to send the budget breakdown for the courts to the Council before next Tuesday. He asked to speak further with Councilwoman Berz about the perimeters of the audit of these divisions of government.

Economic Development Committee
Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

Education and Innovation Committee
Councilwoman Noel (No report)

Equity and Community Development Committee
Councilwoman Coonrod (No report)

Legislative Committee
Councilman Smith reported:

- The committee met today to discuss changes proposed for the city’s beer ordinance.

Planning and Zoning Committee
Councilman Ledford reported:

- A second work session on the proposed zoning ordinance will take place next Tuesday, February 27th, at 1:00 p.m. in the J.B. Collins Conference Room of the Council building.

Parks and Public Works
Councilman Hester (No report)

- The committee met earlier today. He again commended employee Ben Taylor, who is retiring soon, for his service to the city.

Public Safety Committee
Councilman Henderson (No report)

RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL
(View [here](#))

Attorney Noblett read the rules of procedure for persons wishing to address the Council. After which, Chair Dotley recognized the following persons:

Speaker Name	District	Primary Topics:
• Bill Glascock	8	Parking problems in the Fortwood community and the right to park
• Monty Bell	(N/A)	He believes that the City has contracts with attorneys who are working against him.
• Amanda Shaw	(N/A)	Crosswalk needed at CSAS/Daughter struck crossing 3 rd Street to CSAS <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Councilwoman Noel discussed her efforts regarding this.○ Vice Chair Hill also made comments to the speaker.○ Chair Dotley directed the speaker to Mr. Roig (Mayor's Office).

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Vice Chair Hill, Chair Dotley adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until next Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAIR

CLERK OF COUNCIL

*Attached:
Ben Taylor Proclamation*



Chattanooga City Council Proclamation

WHEREAS, We are here today to express special recognition to Ben Taylor, and to honor him for his distinguished 25 year career within the Transportation Division of the Public Works Department for the City of Chattanooga.

WHEREAS, Ben began his career with the City in 1998 as a Traffic Systems Technician, and rose through the ranks until his promotion to Deputy Administrator for Transportation in 2021.

WHEREAS, Ben was an instrumental part of the team responsible for launching 'Bike Chattanooga', a municipal bike share program that was the first of its kind in the state of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, Ben has worked constantly for the betterment of our City, both in his roles with the Transportation Department, as well as during the 14 years he volunteered to serve as a part-time deputy in the Native American Reserve Force. This role saw him patrolling Moccasin Bend to help preserve the property, burial grounds, and artifacts contained therein; a role he continued for several years after Moccasin Bend became part of the National Park Service as the only designated Archeological District within the entire Park Service system.

WHEREAS, This proclamation is presented to Ben to serve as a reminder that, although he is retiring, he will always be remembered as a valued employee, dedicated to both his position and our community.

Now Therefore,
be it proclaimed, that we, the Chattanooga City Council,
do hereby recognize, honor, and congratulate

Ben Taylor

for 25 years of dedicated service to the City of Chattanooga,
and give him our best wishes for continued success and future happiness.

Dated this 20th day of February, 2024.



Isiah Hester
Councilman, District 5